

# WEST LAFAYETTE



## June 2015 City Council Update

### TIPPECANOE COUNTY PARTNERSHIP FOR WATER QUALITY RECEIVES STATE-WIDE RECOGNITION AT INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ANNUAL MS4 MEETING

On Tuesday, May 12th, the Tippecanoe County Partnership for Water Quality (TCPWQ) was presented with a Certificate of Recognition "For Outstanding Development and Implementation of Storm Water Programs or Projects that are beyond their MS4 Storm Water Quality Management Plan." This certificate specifically recognized the "Wonders on the Wabash" experiential education program hosted by the TCPWQ, the Tippecanoe County Soil & Water Conservation District, and the Tippecanoe County Park & Recreation Department. This was a pilot initiative meant to increase experiential environmental education within Tippecanoe County by engaging students with their watershed. The 6<sup>th</sup> grade classes of Faith Christian spent an entire day experiencing the Wabash River through hands-on lessons, discussions with field experts, and a five-mile rafting trip from Mascouten Park to Fort Ouiatenon.

### Project Updates:

The new Chemical Phosphorus Control building is nearing completion. This added process will allow the Water Resource Recovery Facility (WRRF) to meet new phosphorus limits that go into effect early in 2016.

Improvements to the Wet Weather Treatment Facility have been completed. The project added capacity with an additional chemical feed pump and piping. A strong bleach solution is used to meet E. coli limits on this treated CSO discharge. The goal with these improvements is to meet these limits more consistently.

Work continues on the Sheraton and Fairway Knolls Lift Stations. Bowen Engineering has been contracted to replace these aging lift stations, install new force mains, and add onsite backup power. Work will continue through the rest of 2015.